

**WEBB COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 12, 2001
9:00 A.M.**

**01.01-02-126. CALL TO ORDER BY MERCURIO MARTINEZ, JR.
INVOCATION
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

02.01-02-127. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

03.01-02-128. COMMUNICATIONS

**04.01-02-129. APPROVAL OF BILLS, PAYROLL & MONTHLY
REPORTS**

05.01-02-130. PROCLAMATIONS/RESOLUTIONS

**06.01-02-131. THE COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON TH
FOLLOWING:**

a. WEBB COUNTY APPRISAL DISTRICT

**PRESENTATION REGARDING POSSIBILITY OF
INCREASING THE SENIOR CITIZENS TAX
EXEMPTION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001-2002.**

b. WEBB COUNTY TREASURER

**1) ACTION TO ADOPT THE WEBB COUNTY
INVESTMENT POLICY FOR 2001 IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE PUBLIC FUNDS
INVESTMENT ACT.**

**2) ACTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING LIST
OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AUTHORIZED
TO SELL INVESTMENTS OF WEBB COUNTY
FOR 2001:**

**Texpool - Logic - Ambac Capital Financing and
NBC Bank -Laredo**

c. WEBB COUNTY GOLF COURSE

**ACTION TO FILL SLOT# 1528 (Maintenance Worker I)
AT \$6.09 AN HOUR EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 12, 2001.**

d. 406th DISTRICT COURT

**ACTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING TITLE
CHANGES TO:**

SLOT# 1867

FROM :Administrative Assistant /Office Manager

**TO: Administrative Assistant/Office Manager/Court
Interpreter at an annual salary of \$28,475.00
(increase of \$3,931.00); and**

SLOT# 1868

FROM: Administrative Court Clerk/Court Interpreter

**TO: Assistant Court Clerk at an annual salary of \$17,441
(decrease of \$3,931.00)**

e. CONSTABLE RAUL HINOJOSA

ACTION TO FILL SLOT# 1402 (Deputy Constable) AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$25,210 EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 16, 2001.

f. WEBB COUNTY JUVENILE DEPARTMENT

1) ACTION TO FILL SLOT# 338 (Detention Officer) AT\$9.98 AN HOUR, SLOT# 784 (Probation Officer) AT \$10.76 AN HOUR AND SLOT# 353 (LVN) AT \$13.00 AN HOUR EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 12, 2001.

2) ACTION TO APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF THE FOLLOWING GRANT APPLICATIONS TO THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION OF THE GOVERNOR’S OFFICE:

- ⊖ Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant (JAIBG) in the amount of \$200,000.00 - No cash match;**
- ⊖ Purchase of Juvenile Services in the amount of \$15,582 with a cash match of \$6,418.00; and**
- ⊖ Mediation Program in the amount of \$33,608 - No cash match**

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS.

g. J.P. HECTOR LIENDO

ACTION TO APPROVE A “PART TIME” POSITION DUE TO A “BORDER GRANT” RECEIVED BY THE

**TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY THAT
WILL INCREASE CASELOAD SUBSTANTIALLY.**

h. WEBB COUNTY HEAD START

**ACTION TO FILL SLOT# 1694 (Substitute) AT \$6.15 AN
HOUR FOR 15 HOURS A WEEK.**

**i. WEBB COUNTY JUDGE &
COMMISSIONERS**

- 1) ACTION TO AUTHORIZE BY ORDER, THE
SHERIFF AND CONSTABLES OF WEBB
COUNTY TO APPOINT RESERVE DEPUTIES
AND LIMITING THE NUMBER, IF DEEMED
NECESSARY, OF RESERVE DEPUTIES WHICH
MAY BE APPOINTED (Deferred Item).**
- 2) ACTION REGARDING THE STATUS OF THE
NEW AGREEMENT WITH THE GOLF COURSE
OPERATOR (Requested by Cmsr. Jerry Vasquez).**
- 3) ACTION TO CREATE A NEW DEPUTY
CONSTABLE POSITION FOR THE WEBB
COUNTY CONSTABLE PRECINCT 2 (Deferred
Item-Cmsr. Jerry Vasquez).**
- 4) ACTION TO SELECT THE FOLLOWING
MEMBERS TO THE WEBB COUNTY SCORING
COMMITTEE:**

**Homero Ramirez, County Attorney
Carlos R. Villarreal, Executive Administrator
Eloy Ramirez, Purchasing Agent
Leo Flores, County Auditor
Rhonda Tiffin, Director Planning Department
Tomas M. Rodriguez, Jr., P. E., County Engineer**

- 5) ACTION REGARDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF STANDARDS FOR ORGANIZATIONS THAT RECEIVE FUNDING FROM THE COUNTY HOTEL-MOTEL TAX. AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO REVIEW THE STATE STATUTES AND PROVIDE COMMISSIONERS COURT WITH A REPORT FOR RECEIPT OF FUNDING AT THE NEXT COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING (Requested by Cmsr. J. Gutierrez).**
- 6) ACTION TO REHABILITATE STABLE AREA AT LAREDO COMMUNITY COLLEGE, PROVIDE A YEAR'S COST OF MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS AND AUTHORIZE THE STORAGE OF HORSE AND CARRIAGE AT THE PARKING LOT LOCATED AT THE NEW ACQUIRED SITE OF THE SHERIFF'S ADMINISTRATION OFFICES (Also known as Wells Fargo Bank Building). THIS REQUEST SHOULD NOT EXCEED \$24,000 (Requested by Cmsr. M. Urdiales).**
- 7) ACTION TO FINALIZE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA FOR WEBB COUNTY AND TO SET PRIORITIES AS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT FOR SUBMISSION**

**VIA RESOLUTION TO OUR ELECTED
REPRESENTATIVES.**

- 8) PRESENTATION OF WAGE FEASABILITY
STUDY BY THE WATERS CONSULTING
GROUP WITH POSSIBLE ACTION TO
ADDRESS/ADOPT STUDY AND CONSIDER
WAGE ADJUSTMENTS TO EMPLOYEES IN
CERTAIN JOB CLASSIFICATIONS.**
- 9) PRESENTATION BY CHARLES E. GRAHAM, II
AND ASSOCIATES REGARDING WEBB
COUNTY SCHOOL LANDS AND PRODUCTION
OF WELLS WITHIN THESE PROPERTIES.**

j. RISK MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

- 1) ACTION TO APPROVE THE BLUE CROSS
-BLUE SHIELD ADMINISTRATIVE
SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR WEBB
COUNTY'S HEALTH INSURANCE
PROGRAM FOR FY 2000-2001,
AUTHORITY FOR THE COUNTY JUDGE
TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS (Deferred
Item).**
- 2) ACTION TO APPROVE TH BLUE CROSS -
BLUE SHIELD STOP LOSS CONTRACT
OR WEBB COUNT'S HEALTH
INSURANCE PROGRAM FOR FISCAL
YEAR 2000-2001, AUTHORITY FOR
COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE AL**

DOCUMENTS (Deferred Item).

**3) DISCUSSION REGARDING WEBB
COUNTY'S END OF THE YEAR REPORT
FOR FY 1999-2000 ON WEBB COUNTY'S :**

**Health Insurance Program
Worker's Compensation Program
Property/Casualty/Liability
Loss Control**

k. ROAD & BRIDGE DEPARTMENT

**ACTION TO CONSTRUCT A PARKING LOT FOR
THE HEAD START DEPARTMENT AT 2400 SOUTH
JARVIS (696 sq. ft.) AND AT 2801 IRELAND (961 sq. ft.)
FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$3,314.00 (Funding available
from Head Start Account # 903-4207-8801).**

l. ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

**ACTION TO ACTION TO OBTAIN THE SERVICES
OF CRISTINA PENA LARA, CRS REALTY, IN THE
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$12,500 AND ORDERING
AN EXEMPTION FROM COMPETITIVE BIDDING
REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 262.024
SUBSECTION (a)(7), TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CODE(competitive bidding, competitive bidding process)
FOR THE PURCHASE OF 50 ACRES FOR A FUTURE**

**REVERSE OSMOSIS DESALINATION WATER
TREATMENT PLANT.**

m. WATER UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

- 1) ACTION TO APPROVE TITLE CHANGE IN
SLOT # 1748 AS FOLLOWS (no change in
department budget):**

**FROM: Plant Operator I at \$8.13 an hour
TO: Plant Operator II at 9.67 an hour**

- 2) PRESENTATION BY MR. DANA BATISTE,
UNITED WATER INC., ON THE UTILIZATION
OF GROUND WATER FROM WEBB COUNTY'S
SCHOOL LAND.**

**n. WEBB COUNTY PLANNING
DEPARTMENT**

- 1) ACTION TO ISSUE/RATIFY "CERTIFICATIONS
REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH PLAT
REQUIREMENTS AND THE CONNECTION OF
UTILITIES TO AUTHORIZE UTILITY
CONNECTIONS TO THE FOLLOWING
PROPERTIES:**

**Connection(s) qualifying under Section 232.029(i),
Texas Local Government Code**

**☉ Lot 91, Ranchitos Los Fresnos
(electricity-1 dwelling)**

**Connection(a) qualifying under Section
232.029(c)(1), Texas Local Government Code**

- € Tract 103, Unit VI, Ranchos Peñitas West (electricity - 1 dwelling for a total of 3 dwellings)

- 2) **ACTION TO FILL POSITION OF A CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER IN THE WEBB COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO PERFORM CODE AND REGULATORY ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE WEBB COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT. DUTIES INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, REGULATORY ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES OF THE WEBB COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT. FUNDING FOR THIS POSITION IS AVAILABLE UNDER LIEN ITEM #606-8001-3501 - GRANT REVENUES (being grant funds reimbursing**

Webb County's personnel costs associated with 911 addressing activities). THE CONTINUATION OF THIS POSITION WILL BE CONTINGENT UPON FUNDING THROUGH GRANT FUNDS, 911 ADDRESSING, 911 ADDRESSING MAINTENANCE OR SIMILAR SOURCES.

07.01-02-132. COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE FOLLOWING FROM THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT:

- a. **ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SUBMISSION OF A CONTRACT AMENDMENT TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY**

AFFAIRS (TDHCA) FOR TCDP CONTRACT # 720889 (FY200/2001 Community Development Project). THE CONTRACT AMENDMENT WILL INVOLVE THE TRANSFER OF \$45,000 FO GRANT FUNDS FROM THE SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITIES LINE ITEM (Purchase of a Tire Shredder) TO WATER IMPROVEMENTS TO COLONIA LOS CORRALITOS (This Contract Amendment will allow the use of any surplus funds in this line item to be used in the platting of this colonia and will be in the best interest to the county. Contract Amendment will be at no additional cost to the county).

- b. ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CREATION OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVE (NI) COORDINATOR POSITION/SLOT AT A SALARY UP TO \$30,000 UNDER THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) - NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVE (NI) GRANT PROGRAM (Contract between**

HUD and Webb County approved by Commissioners Court on January 10, 2001 and executed on January 30, 2001) AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL

THE NI COORDINATOR SLOT (Salary of NI Coordinator position will be at no cost to the County and NI Grant will be a five year program terminating January 29, 2006).

- c. ACTION TO APPROVE CONTRACT WITH LOPEZ CONSTRUCTION WITH THE FOLLOWING MODIFICATIONS:**

- 1) Authorize the submission of Change Order # 1 to the**

U.S. department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) - Housing Colonia Initiative (HCI) Program. Change Order # 1 will include utilizing CAA Weatherization Program activities to construct alternative items that pertain to weatherization.

- 2) Reduction in the amount of \$2,400 for Housing Rehab for Gustavo Davila, Abstract 1845 P1005 - Oilton, Texas 78371**
- 3) Reduction in the amount of \$3,400 for Housing Rehab for Jesus Landero, 700 Behlen Street - Lot 6 Block 12 - Mirando City, Texas 78369**
- 4) Reduction in the amount of \$4,300 for Housing Rehab for Matilde G. Johnson, 6th Street and Main Street - Lot 7-9 Block 11 - Mirando City, Texas 78369**
- 5) Reduction in the amount of \$2,200 for Housing Rehab for Esparza Leal, Lot 3 and 4 Block 83 - Bruni, Texas 78344**

This modification is in the best interest to the county and does not substantially change the scope of contract or cause the contract amount to exceed the next lowest bid.

- d. ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT AND SOLICITATION OF APPLICATIONS TO FILL SLOT # 1603 (Job Assessment/Case Management Counselor-full time)FOR THE WELFARE TO WORK DEPARTMENT AT AN ANNUAL SALARY UP TO \$26,000 FUNDED UNDER THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR.**

- e. **ACTION TO ADVERTISE AND FILL SLOT# 1602 (Intake/Verification Clerk- full time) FOR THE WELFARE TO WORK DEPARTMENT AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$20,000 FUNDED UNDER THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR.**

08.01-02-133. COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE FOLLOWING FROM THE COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY:

- a. **ACTION TO APPROVE /RATIFY THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION BY CAA RURAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$82,000 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW BUS (Funding is available for a Vehicle Capital Replacement (VCR) grant from TXDOT. Grant requires cash match of \$2,000 which is available from the current County grant match for this program).**
- b. **ACTION TO APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO RURAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FOR FY 2000-2001 (CAA Advisory Board has reviewed amendments and recommends approval).**
- c. **ACTION TO APPROVE COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG) FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS (TDHCA) FOR FY 2001 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$377,048 (The CSBG is the umbrella grant that funds the administrative and operating expenses of the CAA as a whole. CAA Advisory Board has reviewed and**

recommends approval).

- d. **APPROVAL TO FUND SLOTS # 1847, 1848, 1850, 1851, 1852, 1853, 1849,1794 and 1793 (Social Services Clerks-part-time-) FOR A PERIOD OF ONE MONTH (February 1st - 28th) FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS UNDER FUND 902 (EFSP-county grant match) AT \$6.00 AN HOUR.**
- e. **ACTION TO APPROVE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SUBMIT REQUEST TO TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS (TDHCA) FOR ADDITIONAL CP&L FUNDS FOR THE WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM (WAP) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000 (CA Advisory Board has reviewed and recommends approval).**

09.01-02-134. COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE FOLLOWING FROM THE PURCHASING AGENT:

- a. **ACTION TO AWARD/REJECT THE FOLLOWING BIDS:**

Bid# 2001-52	One 20 Passenger Bus - Recommendation- State Wide Bus Sales
Bid# 2001-48	Two Motorgraders with two year Power Train Warranty - Recommendation - Nueces Power Equipment
Bid# 2001-49	One Refuse Automated Side Loader Truck - Recommendation - Nueces Power Equipment

**Bid# 2001-53 One Truck Mount Paver -
Recommendation - H&V Equipment
Services**

- b. ACTION TO PURCHASE EIGHT COMPLETE
COMPUTER SYSTEMS FROM ICSS IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$8,616.00 FOR J.J.A E.P. FROM FUND
149-1301-6020.**
- c. ACTION TO INCLUDE KILIAM RANCH
PROPERTIES LTD TO OUR ANNUAL CONTRACT
FOR FLEXIBLE BASE AT \$1.25 PER CUBIC YARD
(picked up by county) AND \$2.00 PER CUBIC YARD
(loaded for the county).**
- d. ACTION TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR THE FOLLOWING:**
 - ⊖ Uniforms for Road & Bridge, Golf Course Maintenance
and Maintenance Personnel; and**
 - ⊖ Agricultural and Botanical Supplies for the Golf Course**

**10.01-02-135. COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE
FOLLOWING FROM THE COUNTY
ATTORNEY:**

- a. ACTION TO ACCEPT, BY ORDER, RIGHT-OF WAY
DEDICATIONS FROM PROPERTY OWNERS IN SAN
CARLOS SUBDIVISION, PHASE I AND II, OUT OF
THE FOLLOWING TRACTS:**
 - San Carlos Phase I - Lot 1, Block 5**
 - Jose Luis & Elizabeth G. Garcia**

- b. ACTION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH TAXNETUSA TO PLACE DATA ON THEIR WORLD WIDE WEB DATABASE SERVERS WITH A HOME PAGE FOR A BASE PRICE OF \$1,000 PER YEAR BASED ON MONTHLY UP DATES WHICH WILL BE AVAILABLE AT A COST OF \$80.00 PER UPDATE WHICH INCLUDES HOSTING ALL CURRENT AND DELINQUENT WEBB COUNTY TAX DATA (Owners Name, Mailing Address, Legal Description, Account Number, Appraised Value, Exemptions, Taxable Value, Total Tax Penalties, Attorney Fees and Interest, and Amounts Paid and Date of Payment), UPDATE INFORMATION WEEKLY OR MONTHLY, AND TAXNETUSA SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO PLACE A LINK TO THE WEBB COUNTY SEARCH AREA FOR THEIR ADVANCED SEARCH SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE, WITH A RIGHT TO CANCEL, BY EITHER PARTY, ON SIXTY DAYS NOTICE AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS (Requested by Tax Assessor Collector)**
- c. ACTION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FISCAL YEAR 2001 RURAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION GRANT AGREEMENT FOR THE COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY REVISING THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT PAYABLE UNDER THE GRANT TO \$615,395.00 (which incorporates an Oil Overcharge reduction of \$7,335.00 and rollover from FY2000 of an additional \$5,400.00 and a reduction of the Operational Expenses in the amount of \$1,935.00) AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS**

(Requested by the CAA).

- d. ACTION TO AMEND THE GOVERNING REGULATIONS OF THE WEBB COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY ARTICLE III, SECTION III, ADVISORY BOARD COMPOSITION, CATEGORY A, TO REFLECT THAT THE MEMBERSHIP SHALL BE COMPRISED OF EIGHT MEMBERS AS FOLLOWS: THE WEBB COUNTY JUDGE, WEBB COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1, WEBB COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2, WEBB COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3, WEBB COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4, CITY OF LAREDO CITY COUNCIL MEMBER DISTRICT 1, CITY OF LAREDO CITY COUNCIL MEMBER DISTRICT 5, AND CITY OF LAREDO CITY COUNCIL MEMBER DISTRICT 8 (Requested by CAA).**
- e. ACTION REGARDING THE CITY OF LAREDO'S REQUEST FOR \$110,000.00 TO PROVIDE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES TO NON-CITY AREAS OF WEBB COUNTY WHICH INCLUDED THE CITY'S RIGHT TO ESTABLISH AND COLLECT FEES, FOR HEALTH SERVICES, INSPECTION AND/OR OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REGULATORY SERVICES WITH THE REVENUE GENERATED REMAINING THE CITY OF LAREDO'S AND ANY MATTERS INCIDENT THERETO (Approved by the Webb County Commissioners Court without the permit fee provision on or about November 27, 2000).**
- f. ACTION REGARDING EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION CHARGE # 360A10441**

FILED BY RICARDO MOLINA AGAINST WEBB COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY (Executive Session pursuant to Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, Consultation with Attorney).

- g. ACTION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH DANNENBAUM ENGINEERING CORPORATION FOR THE PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF PERMITTING (Presidential, environmental, transportation, etc.), PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING SCHEMATICS, SURVEYING, AERIAL MAPPING AND PHOTOGRAPHY, ENVIRONMENTAL DATA, AND PRELIMINARY BRIDGE DESIGN AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$669,772.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS.**

THE COMMISSIONERS COURT MAY MEET IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT §551.071 (consultation with attorney), 551.072 (deliberation regarding real property), §551.074 personnel matters) and §551.075 (consultation with employees), ON ALL MATTERS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES WHO PLAN TO ATTEND THIS MEETING AND WHO MAY NEED AUXILIARY AID OF SERVICE SUCH AS INTERPRETERS FOR PERSONS WHO ARE DEAF OR HEARING IMPAIRED, READERS, OR NEED LARGE PRINT ARE REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR AT (956) 721-2503.

ADJOURNMENT